

**From:** [Webster, Susan](#)  
**To:** [Smith, Monica](#); [Broyles, Ragan](#)  
**Subject:** Fw: Senator Boxer letter and questions regarding West, Texas facility incident  
**Date:** Thursday, May 02, 2013 7:59:27 AM  
**Attachments:** [04.30.13 Boxer Letter to Bob Perciasepe.pdf](#)

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**From:** Mason, Steve  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 02, 2013 7:56:47 AM  
**To:** McQuiddy, David; Webster, Susan  
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**From:** Jennings, Kim  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 02, 2013 7:22 AM  
**To:** Broyles, Ragan; Smith, Monica; Goodfellow, Bob; Ruhl, Christopher; Haas, Craig; Mason, Steve  
**Cc:** Stanton, Larry; Tulis, Dana; Irizarry, Gilberto; Belke, Jim; Beasley, Lynn; Matthiessen, Craig  
**Subject:** FW: Senator Boxer letter and questions regarding West, Texas facility incident

Hi all,

We have received a letter from Senate EPW Committee Chairman Boxer which includes a series of questions regarding the West Fertilizer incident. We are working on drafting responses for these questions, but need assistance from the Region on 2 of these questions. For questions 1 and 8 we need the Region to provide a response or some draft language to incorporate into a response. The two questions are:

1. Describe EPA's investigation of the West, Texas facility, including timelines and scope.
8. Describe any and all fines issues against the West facility for failing to comply with safety standards related to chemicals.

We have a very tight deadline of May 16<sup>th</sup> for getting a response and this includes OSWER, OECA, and OGC Senior Management review. It would be helpful if we could get your response by COB next Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. If this is not doable, please let me know.

Thanks,  
Kim

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**From:** Deitz, Randy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 30, 2013 4:23 PM  
**To:** Stanton, Larry; Tulis, Dana; Matthiessen, Craig; Jennings, Kim  
**Cc:** Stanislaus, Mathy; Feldt, Lisa; Breen, Barry; Bergman, Shawna; Fine, Ellyn; Brooks, Becky  
**Subject:** Senator Boxer letter and questions regarding West, Texas facility incident

I have attached a letter and series of questions from Senate EPW Committee Chairman Boxer regarding the West, Texas facility incident. OEM should take the lead in responding to the questions. The letter asks for final responses by Thursday, May 16. Rather than provide long lists of chemicals pursuant to some of the questions, we can provide web links if the information is available on-line. Since we may need Regional input and OGC input, and will need OSWER IO review, we will need to factor that into the response timeline. If you have questions, please let me know. Thank you.